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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 11, 2003 and the Advisory Action mailed August 8, 2003, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered and that the rejection and objection of claims in the application be reconsidered and withdrawn.

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